

# EXHIBIT 17

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SUPERIOR COURT

ORDER 421277

LAFFERTY, ERICA Et Al  
V.  
JONES, ALEX EMRIC Et Al

JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF WATERBURY  
AT WATERBURY

12/24/2021

ORDER

ORDER REGARDING:  
12/13/2021 620.00 OBJECTION

The foregoing, having been considered by the Court, is hereby:

ORDER:

Sustained in part and overruled in part. While the court finds that the notice of defenses are otherwise adequate under the law, the Alex Jones defendants are prohibited from contesting liability or raising affirmative defenses in light of the disciplinary default entered against them. Therefore, the notice of defenses is stricken, and the case will proceed as a hearing in damages as to these defendants.

Judicial Notice (JDNO) was sent regarding this order.

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Judge: BARBARA N BELLIS

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